receiving testimony from Joshua M. Sharfstein, Acting Commissioner, and Patrick McGarey, Director, and Norris Cochran, Deputy Assistant Secretary, both of the Office of Budget, all of the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

### APPROPRIATIONS: GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE, GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, AND THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Government Accountability Office, the Government Printing Office, and the Congressional Budget Office, after receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General, Government Accountability Office; Robert C. Tapella, Public Printer, Government Printing Office; and Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for the Department of the Air Force, after receiving testimony from Michael B. Donley, Secretary of the Air Force, and General Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, both of the Department of Defense.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Peter M. Rogoff, of Virginia, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation, Francisco J. Sanchez, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, Sandra Brooks Henriquez, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Public and Indian Housing, and Michael S. Barr, of Michigan, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Institutions.

# IMPORTED DRYWALL HEALTH AND PRODUCT SAFETY ISSUES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine health and product safety issues associated with imported drywall, after receiving testimony from Senator Landrieu; Lori Saltzman, Director, Division of Health Sciences, United States Consumer Product Safety Commission; Michael McGeehin, Director, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, National Center for Environmental Health,

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Elizabeth Southerland, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency; David Krause, Florida Department of Health State Toxicologist, Tallahassee; Randy Noel, The National Association of Home Builders, LaPlace, Louisiana; and Richard J. Kampf, Cape Coral, Florida.

## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science and Space concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, after receiving testimony from Christopher J. Scolese, Acting Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Economic Development Administration, after receiving testimony from Sandra R. Walters, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Administrative Officer, Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce; James Kennedy, Butler County Commissioner, Butler, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Association of Regional Councils; LaVern W. Phillips, Woodward Industrial Foundation, Woodward, Oklahoma; and Leanne Mazer, Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Frostburg, on behalf of the National Association of Development Organizations.

## U.S.-PANAMA TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine The United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, after receiving testimony from Everett Eissenstat, Assistant United States Trade Representative for the Americas; James Owens, Caterpillar, Inc., Peoria, Illinois, on behalf of the United States Chamber of Commerce Business Roundtable; Thea Mei Lee, AFL-CIO, Washington, D.C.; and Sam Carney, National Pork Producers Council, Adair, Iowa.

# STRATEGY FOR AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a new strategy for Afghanistan and Pakistan, after receiving testimony from Admiral Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense.